

**Latimer, Becky**

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**From:** PSCSC Communications  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 7, 2021 12:25 PM  
**To:** Adams, Hope  
**Cc:** Latimer, Becky  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Dominion Energy Rate increase

Ms. Gilmer would like her comments posted to the Docket, but requested that her phone number and email address be redacted.

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**From:** jkgilmer gilmer  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 7, 2021 11:46 AM  
**To:** PSCSC Communications <communications@psc.sc.gov>  
**Subject:** [External] Dominion Energy Rate increase

PLEASE do not increase the energy rate.

The original ads and claims by Dominion were rate savings and rebates.

Were these LIES or HALF TRUTHS to get a foothold on the market.

It is more than perplexing why pennies were returned to customers to placate and now a 7.75% increase is on the verge of being imposed.

Big picture:

When the country has seen overwhelming hardship for the past [more than] few months---many South Carolinians paychecks have been impacted by the stay-at-home orders and are still recovering. Salaries have decreased an average of \$6000, hours have been reduced and although many have been at work through this time - it is more costly and hazardous [without additional compensation].

A great example that personally impacts my household:

New laws and ordinances prohibit restaurant workers from returning to full duty by closing bars and kitchens earlier than pre-pandemic hours. In a hospitality town this impacts many many of our neighbors and loved ones.

THIS RATE INCREASE IS OVER 6.5 TIMES THE CURRENT INFLATION RATE AND WILL ONLY EXASSERBATE ALREADY OVER EXTENDED HOUSEHOLDS.

Regards from a Charleston resident,

jennifer k. gilmer